

**SENIOR ADVISORY COMMISSION
Milpitas City Hall, Committee Meeting Room
455 E. Calaveras Blvd.
October 25, 2005, 1:30 PM**

AGENDA

A. CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Denny Weisgerber, Mary Banick, William 'Ed' Connor, Bal Daquigan, Joyce Dovlet, Amanda Santos, Albert Wang, Joanne Wood
Alternates: Barbara Ebright, Kathryn Manento

B. SEATING OF ALTERNATES:

C. FLAG SALUTE:

D. ADOPTION OF AGENDA: October 25, 2005

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: August 23, 2005

F. FINANCIAL REPORT: August 1-September 30, 2005

G. CITIZEN FORUM:

Members of the audience are invited to address the Commission on any subject not on the agenda. Speakers must supply their name and address for the record and limit their remarks to three (3) minutes. As an unagendized item, no response is required of City staff or the Commission; however, the Commission may agendize the item for a future meeting.

H. ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE

1. Veteran's Day Ceremony on November 11th at Veteran's Memorial Park at 9:00 a.m.
2. Milpitas Community Concert Band, November 18th at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center
3. Tree Lighting Ceremony & Community Sing-A-Long, December 1st at City Hall at 7:00 p.m.
4. Rainbow Singers Concert – Music Around the World, Friday, December 9th at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center
5. Milk and Cookies with Santa on December 10th at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. (tickets available on November 9th)
6. Rainbow Theatre will present "A Christmas Carol," December 15-18th (tickets available at the Community Center)

I. OLD BUSINESS:

None.

J. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Future Focus/Projects of Senior Advisory Commission - Chairperson Weisgerber

Background: According to the Senior Advisory Commission's Bylaws, its purpose is "to advise the staff and City Council on planning/organizing various activities that provide meaningful recreational, social, educational and health services to the community's senior citizens." Commissioners are also supposed to "take an active part in supporting the programs through involvement and development of programs and fund raising to provide for these programs. They will provide the assessment of current and future needs of the older population in our community for the purpose of program planning."

Chairperson Weisgerber is requesting that the Commission discuss possible avenues to achieve these objectives.

Recommendation: Discuss and advise staff accordingly.

2. Senior Nutrition Program Cups Discussion – Chairperson Weisgerber

Background: The Mayor received a complaint from a Senior Center participant stating that cups were not available for participants after 1 p.m. at the Senior Center. As a result, Chairperson Weisberger requested that this item be agendized for Commission discussion.

The City of Milpitas Nutrition Program provides participants cups for coffee and hot water for tea from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. In addition, there is a water spigot and water fountain available for participants during the Senior Center business hours of 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. After 1 p.m., the kitchen is closed to allow the staff to clean up after the lunch program including the beverage area. A coldwater spigot and drinking fountain remain available for participant's usage from 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Prior to July 1, 2005, the Senior Center had cups available during business hours because the fountain and spigot were not available during kitchen renovations. During this time up to 300 cups per day were being used. In addition, participants would put cups down and not remember where they had placed them or which cup was theirs. Staff had pens out for participants to write their names on the cups, however, staff continued to dispose of an excessive amount of half filled cups throughout the day. Staff felt it was more economical and environmentally friendly to limit cup dispersals during the Nutrition Program, since the water fountain and spigot is available at all times.

The cost of cups is budgeted from the Senior Nutrition Program which is subsidized by the County. To provide cups throughout the business hours would have a \$350.00 per year fiscal impact on the Senior Center budget.

Recommendation: To keep within approved budget, eliminate waste and promote patrons to bring their own mugs, it is recommended to continue to only provide paper cups from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

3. December 27, 2005, Senior Advisory Commission Meeting – Jennifer Tagalog, Recreation Services Supervisor

Background: The next Senior Advisory Commission meeting is scheduled for December 27, 2005, which is the day after a City Holiday. Since it is the Holiday season, staff is requesting the Commission determine if there will be enough people in town for a quorum at the December 27, 2005, meeting. If there will not be a quorum, the Commission need to determine if they would prefer to cancel or reschedule the December 27, 2005, Senior Advisory Commission meeting.

Recommendation: Discuss and advise staff accordingly.

4. 2005 Senior Center Holiday Dance & Party – Jennifer Tagalog, Recreation Services Supervisor

The 2005 Senior Center Holiday Dance & Party will be held on Sunday, December 11th, at the Community Center. To assist with the cost of the event, staff is requesting a donation from the Senior Advisory Commission to off-set the cost of items, such as giveaways, food and entertainment. The Senior Advisory Commission has provided funding for this event in the past. The Commission allocated \$250 for last year's event, and currently has a balance of \$6,364.74.

Recommendation:

Designate and approve a funding amount for staff use to assist with this year's Holiday Dance & Party event.

K. OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Staff Reports

1.1 Recreation Services Report – Lynette Wilson, Recreation Program Coordinator

Senior Programs

- October
 - 26 Bingo, 1:00 pm
 - 27 Afternoon Dance with 4 Pennies & A Token, 1:30 pm
 - 30 Jackson Rancheria Casino Trip
- November
 - 1 VTA Photos, 10:00 am-12:00 pm
 - 2 Bingo, 1:00 pm
 - 3 Speaker: 2006 New Kaiser Policies, 11:00 am
 - 4 Wally's Rhythm Rascals, 10:30 am
 - 9 Bingo, 1:00 pm

- 10 De Young Museum Trip
Speaker: Medication & Doctor Communication, 11:00 am
- 11 Senior Center Closed – Veterans Day**
- 15 Birthday Party with The Bin's
Potluck Supper & Bingo, 5:00 pm
- 16 Bingo, 1:00 pm
- 17 Speaker: Transitional Supportive Care & Bereavement Services, 10:30 am
- 18 Wally's Rhythm Rascals, 10:30 am
- 22 Thanksgiving Lunch at Nutrition Program
- 23 Bingo, 1:00 pm
- 24 Senior Center Closed – Thanksgiving**
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- 30 Bingo, 1:00 pm

- December

- 2 Wally's Rhythm Rascals, 10:30 am
- 6 Treasure Island Culinary Academy
- 7 Bingo, 1:00 pm
- 8 Ainsley House Holiday Tea & Tour Trip
- 11 Holiday Dance & Dinner Party
- 13 Birthday Party with Rosalinda Lively
Big Lots Shopping Trip, 10:45 am
Potluck Supper & Bingo, 5:00 pm
- 14 Bingo, 1:00 pm
- 16 Wally's Rhythm Rascals, 10:30 am
- 20 Holiday Lunch
- 23-26 Senior Center Closed for Christmas**
- 27 Senior Advisory Commission Meeting, 1:30 pm
- 30 New Year's Eve Party at Lunch Program

1.2 **Senior Center Nutrition Report** – Roseann Costabile, Nutrition Site Manager

- Nutrition Program – **August:** Daily average 76 participants, 1,746 meals were served
- Transportation – 591 nutrition program riders.
- Nutrition Program – **September:** Daily average 80 participants, 1,672 meals were served.
- Transportation – 375 nutrition program riders.

2. Liaison Reports

- 2.1 City Council Report – Debbie Giordano
- 2.2 Council on Aging Advisory Commission – Denny Weisgerber
- 2.3 AARP – Joanne Wood / Mary Banick
- 2.4 Arts Commission Report – Linda Rabe
- 2.5 Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources Commission – Kathryn Gray

3. Future Agenda Items

L. ADJOURNMENT

Next Senior Advisory Commission Meeting

Tuesday, December 27, 2005, 1:30 pm, City Hall Committee Room

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